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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SHUM, TW  
SUBJECT: CASE OF KOU CHUN (CHIEN)-HSUN

1. IN RESPONSE TO OUR INQUIRY, MOFA HAS INFORMED US THAT KOU CHIEN-HSUN WAS RELEASED FROM PRISON ON JULY 15, 1977. KOU WAS ARRESTED SOMETIME IN 1971 AND CHARGED WITH SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING DISTRIBUTING COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA. HE WAS SENTENCED TO A SEVEN-YEAR CONFINEMENT. AT THE TIME OF HIS RELEASE, HE WAS REPORTEDLY IN EXCELLENT HEALTH. MOFA CLAIMS THAT THEY DO NOT NOW KNOW HIS WHEREABOUTS.

2. EMBASSY MADE THE INQUIRY INTO KOU'S CASE UPON RECEIPT OF A LETTER FROM CONGRESSMAN ANTHONY C. BEILENSON ADDRESSED TO THE AMBASSADOR. IN THE AMBASSADOR'S REPLY TO THE CONGRESSMAN, WE SAID WE WOULD REPORT MOFA'S RESPONSE TO OUR INQUIRY TO THE DEPARTMENT AND REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT TO CONTACT THE CONGRESSMAN'S OFFICE. CONGRESSMAN REQUESTED THAT INFORMATION BE PASSED TO HIS LOS ANGELES OFFICE, 11000 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES 90024.  
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## Message Attributes

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